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SUBJ: BIO INFORMATION ON VENEZUELAN AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRIA

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1. BERNARDO BERMUDEZ BRICENO WAS BORN IN CARACAS DEC 23, 1930. HE COMPLETED HIS SECONDARY EDUCATION IN CARACAS AND THE ST LOUIS INSTITUTE IN BRUSSELS. HE STUDIED AT GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY(SCHOOL OF DIPLOMACY) AND LATER, 1960-61, DID POST-GRADUATE WORK IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AT GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

2. BERMUDEZ IS A CAREER DIPLOMAT, ENTERING VENEZUELA'S FOREIGN SERVICE IN 1955. HIS FIRST ASSIGNMENT WAS AS SECONDARY SECRETARY IN VENEZUELA'S EMBASSY IN ECUADOR. HE LATER SERVED AS FIRST SECRETARY (1958-63) AND LATER AS COUNSELOR (1963-64) IN WASHINGTON DC. FOR FIVE YEARS HE WAS CHIEF OF THE DEPT OF WORLD AFFAIRS IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, LATER SERVING AS MINISTER-COUNSELOR IN FRANCE (1969-72) AND THE SOVIET UNION (1972-74). IN 1974, BERMUDEZ WAS APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO IRAN.

3. BERMUDEZ AND HIS WIFE BEATRIZ HAVE FOUR CHILDREN, ALL GIRLS. IN ADDITION TO NATIVE SPANISH, HE SPEAKS FRENCH

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AND ENGLISH AND KNOWS A BIT OF RUSSIAN AND ITALIAN. DURING HIS STINT AT THE FOREGN MINISTRY, BERMUDEZ WAS REPORTEDLY FRIENDLY AND FORTHCOMING WITH EMBASSY OFFICIALS.
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